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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act authorizing the establishment of a philanthropy account
- 2 within a student activity fund.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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- 1 Section 1. Section 298A.8, Code 2014, is amended to read as 2 follows:
- 3 298A.8 Student activity fund.
- The student activity fund is a special revenue fund.
- 5 A student activity fund must be established in any school
- 6 corporation receiving money from student-related activities
- 7 such as admissions, activity fees, student dues, student
- 8 fund-raising events, or other student-related cocurricular or
- 9 extracurricular activities. Moneys in this fund, other than
- 10 funds in a philanthropy account established under subsection 2,
- 11 shall be used to support only the cocurricular program defined
- 12 in department of education administrative rules.
- 2. A philanthropy account may be established within a
- 14 student activity fund. A philanthropy account shall only
- 15 consist of voluntary donations raised by the students, student
- 16 organizations or clubs, or school district employees for a
- 17 specified philanthropic purpose. Moneys in the account shall
- 18 be used to support philanthropic purposes. For purposes of
- 19 this section, "philanthropic purpose" means an educational,
- 20 charitable, humane, scientific, patriotic, social welfare or
- 21 advocacy, public health, environmental, conservation, civic,
- 22 or other similar objective defined in department of education
- 23 rules. The philanthropic purposes for which moneys in the
- 24 account may be used shall be limited to purposes relating to
- 25 the school district or to students enrolled in the school
- 26 district.
- 27 Sec. 2. Section 298A.15, subsections 2 and 4, Code 2014, are
- 28 amended to read as follows:
- 29 2. Funds transferred. At the request of a student
- 30 organization or club and upon approval by the school board,
- 31 a school corporation shall transfer moneys in a student
- 32 activity fund established under section 298A.8, subsection
- 33 1, for deposit by the student organization or club in
- 34 an entrepreneurial education fund. However, a school
- 35 corporation shall not transfer such moneys unless the moneys

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- 1 are attributable through appropriate documentation to the
- 2 specific student organization or club and unless the student
- 3 organization or club shows through appropriate documentation
- 4 that the student organization or club earned the moneys
- 5 through entrepreneurial activities as defined in subsection 5,
- 6 paragraph "a".
- 7 4. Fund closure. A school corporation shall close an
- 8 entrepreneurial education fund at the request of the student
- 9 organization or club for which the school corporation
- 10 established the fund. All moneys in the fund on the date
- 11 of closure and any subsequent return on an investment made
- 12 with moneys from the fund shall be deposited in the school
- 13 corporation's student activity fund established under section
- 14 298A.8, subsection 1.
- 15 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 18 This bill authorizes the creation of a philanthropy account
- 19 within a school district's student activity fund established
- 20 under Code section 298A.8. The bill provides that a
- 21 philanthropy account shall only consist of voluntary donations
- 22 raised by the students, student organizations or clubs,
- 23 or school district employees for a specified philanthropic
- 24 purpose. Moneys in the philanthropy account shall be
- 25 used to support philanthropic purposes. The bill defines
- 26 "philanthropic purpose" to be an educational, charitable,
- 27 humane, scientific, patriotic, social welfare or advocacy,
- 28 public health, environmental, conservation, civic, or other
- 29 similar objective defined in department of education rules.
- 30 The bill specifies that philanthropic purposes for which moneys
- 31 in the account may be used are limited to purposes relating
- 32 to the school district or to students enrolled in the school
- 33 district.